

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant	:	Christopher SPEIRS et al.	Confirmation No:	3605
Appl. No.	:	10/581,595		
Filed	:	February 23, 2007		
Title	:	PROCESS FOR PRODUCING PELLETS FOR PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS		
TC/A.U.	:	1616		
Examiner	:	Hong Yu		
Docket No.	:	SPEI3003/ESS/LES		
Customer No.	:	23364		

**AMENDMENT AND REPLY**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action of March 17, 2010, in connection with the above identified application. Also submitted herewith is a Request for Continued Examination, and a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time and required fees, extending the due date for response to September 17, 2010. The present response is timely filed.

Applicants respectfully request amendment of the above-identified application, and consideration of the following remarks.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.